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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
WORD OF TRUTH WORSHIP CENTER, INC.

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We, the undersigned, acknowledge and file in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida, for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, these Articles of Incorporation, as by law provided.

ARTICLE 1.

Name

The Name of the Corporation shall be Word of Truth Worship Center, Inc., and the principal office shall be 3810 North 40th Street, Tampa, FL 33610.

ARTICLE 2.

Purpose and Powers

2.1) Purpose: The purpose for which the Corporation is formed are as follows:

- A. To disseminate the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the Word of God, to the end that people may be evangelized and believers may be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ.
- B. To regularly assemble together the members of this Corporation for fellowship one with another both in large public congregation and in small fellowship groups in houses and other places, to worship God I Spirit and in truth and to cooperate in the building up of the whole Body of Christ.
- C. To provide basic New Testament discipleship to all who are approved for this purpose by the Elders.
- D. To involve every participant of this Corporation in its fellowship and activities and in the ministry of the Holy Spirit throughout the Body of Christ.
- E. To strengthen the family units so that the home life of each member is healthy and fruitful by Biblical standards.
- F. To perform the Sacraments of the Church which include, but are not limited to the following: to baptize believers in water; to anoint the sick with oil; to conduct weddings and funerals; to dedicate infants; and to celebrate the Lord's Supper (Communion).
- G. To act with charitable concern for, and to help, not only members of this Corporation, but also all people in need of any help which this Corporation can give regardless of race, social position, or religious affiliation; to develop and carry out programs of social action for poor, widowed, orphaned, afflicted, imprisoned, under privileged, or aged persons, both within and without this Corporation.
- H. To pray for the needs of all people, for local and national leaders and governments and for all that are in authority as instructed in I Timothy 2:1-3.

- I. To support and encourage communication and extension of the Christian life and witness by sound and comprehensive preaching and teaching of Biblical principles to all people both within this corporation and elsewhere, not only by conventional modes, but also by all means which will accomplish such communication, extension, preaching and teaching. This should include media of communication developed by modern technology. These purposes should include to sponsor, participate in, conduct or engage in radio broadcasting, television broadcasting, the printing or reproduction and publication or recordings, books and other materials, the establishment and seminars, study groups, workshops, and meetings, by either resident or traveling ministers; to receive offerings for such purposes; and corporations for services actually rendered for such purposes; provided, however, that none of the foregoing shall be done for private profit.
 - J. To establish and maintain a place of worship, study, recreation and social interaction, ministering to the whole person, spirit, soul and body.
 - K. To recognize, support and cooperate with the various ministries established by God to equip believers to fulfill their respective functions as members of the Body of Christ and to bring the whole Body of Christ to unity, maturity and completion.
 - L. To provide and maintain homes, places and buildings for housing of such students, lecturers, teachers and ministers, as well as other related members of the Corporation; to furnish such students, lecturers, teachers, educators and ministers suitable meals and lodging.
 - M. To acquire, either by deed, gift or purchase, any real estate or personal property to be held in trust for the benefit of the Corporation and its stated purposes.
 - N. To mortgage, sell or otherwise encumber any such property when such action is deemed to be in the best interests of the Corporation as defined in its stated purpose as a Christian organization.
 - O. To license and ordain ministers; to assist in the establishment and maintenance of other churches and other institutions; and to send forth and maintain ministers, missionaries and other workers for the establishment and upbuilding of such churches and institutions, either domestic or foreign.
- 2.2) Powers: To accomplish the foregoing purposes, the Corporation shall have all corporate powers permitted under Florida law, including the capacity to contract, bring suit and be sued. No part of the income of the Corporation shall be distributed to the members, directors and officers of the Corporation.
- 2.3 The Corporation is specifically precluded from engaging in any prohibited activities as defined in Section 617.0105, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 3.

Membership

A member must be a mature person openly expressing a belief and faith in the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

Admission to membership shall be, subject considered qualified as follows:

1. That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead thou shalt be saved. (Romans 10:9)
2. Believe that the Holy Bible is the Word of God.
3. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. (Romans 10:13)
4. Be baptized in water.
5. Commit himself to participate actively in the fellowship of the Church.
6. Submit himself to the authority of the Elders and to the discipline of the church, and approval of the two executive Officers.

ARTICLE 4.

Period of Duration

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence. In the event of dissolution of this Corporation, no part of the Corporation's assets shall inure to the benefit of any member, to such charitable organization or organizations, selected by the final Board of Directors of the organizations under Sections 170 and 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code as the same may be amended.

ARTICLE 5.

Management of Corporation Affairs

- 5.1) The powers of this Corporation shall be exercised, its properties controlled and its affairs conducted by a Board of Trustees.

The number of the trustees shall not be less than three (3) nor more than seven (7). However, such number may be increased by a by-law duly adopted by the members of this Corporation.

Trustees elected at the first annual meeting, and at all times thereafter, shall serve for a term of one year or until the first annual meeting of members after they take office; and they may be re-elected. Special meetings of the general membership may be called at any time on thirty (30) days notice for the recall or replacement of a trustee according to established by-laws.

- 5.2) Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Trustees under any provision of law may be taken without a meeting if all members of the Board shall individually or collectively consent in writing to such action. Such written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board, and any such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as if taken by unanimous vote in regular meeting of the trustees. Any certificate or other document filed under any provision of the law which relates to action so taken shall state that the action was taken by unanimous written consent of the Board of Trustees without a meeting and that the Articles of Incorporation of this Corporation authorize the trustees to so act. Such a statement shall be prima facie evidence of such authority.

ARTICLE 6.

Agent

This Article shall be a certificate designating a registered agent and a registered office.

The name and address of this Corporation's initial registered office and registered agent, in compliance with Section 607.324, Florida Statutes, are:

Registered Agent: Evangelist and Teacher Harry L. James
3549 South Street
Fort Myers, Florida 33916

Registered Office: 3549 South Street
Fort Myers, Florida 33916

I hereby agree to act in the capacity as said registered agent and agree to comply with the provision of Section 48.091, Florida Statutes, in keeping the registered office of the Corporation open every day from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon, except Saturdays and Sundays and legal holidays, during which period of time as registered agent, I will be at said office in order to receive service of process.

I further agree to cause the Corporation to keep a sign posted in the office in some conspicuous place designating the name of the Corporation and the name of the registered agent upon whom service of process may be served.


Evangelist and Teacher Harry L. James

ARTICLE 7.

By Laws

The By-laws of this Corporation may be altered, amended or restated in the following manner:

By vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors at a meeting called for such purpose.

ARTICLE 8.

Amendments

Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation may be proposed and adopted in the following manner:

Such may be proposed and considered at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors, but may not be adopted until the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors and then only by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 9.

Officers

The officers of the Corporation shall be an Evangelist-President, such number of Vice Presidents, a Secretary and Treasurer and such other officers as may be provided in the by-laws.

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The officers of this Corporation shall also be members of the Board of Trustees. The officers of this Corporation, who shall also constitute some of its trustees, are:

<u>Name and Titles</u>	<u>Addresses</u>
Harry L. James Evangelist/President	3810 North 40 th Street Tampa, FL 33610
Dorothy James Vice President	3810 North 40 th Street Tampa, FL 33610
Tammy Garcia Director	5455 3 rd Avenue Fort Myers, FL 33907
Lashaunda Reaves Secretary/Treasurer	3769 Metro Parkway, Apt. 8106 Fort Myers, FL 33916

STATE OF FLORIDA)
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COUNTY OF LEE)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day before me, a Notary Public duly authorized to take acknowledgements, personally appeared

Harry L. James
Dorothy A. James
Lashaunda Reaves
Tammy Garcia

to me known to be the persons described as subscribers in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation; and they acknowledged before me that they executed the same freely and voluntarily for the uses and purposes herein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 25th day of July,
Celestine Graham Holloway
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:



Celestine Graham Holloway
Commission #DD207936
Expires: May 01, 2007
Bonded Thru
Atlantic Bonding Co., Inc.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscribers have hereunto set hand
and seals this 25th day of July, 1992. 2003

Harry L. James
Harry L. James

Tammy Garcia
Tammy Garcia

Dorothy A. James
Dorothy James

Lashaunda Reaves
Lashaunda Reaves